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AMENDMENTS TO THE ABSTRACT OF THE DISCLOSURE

Please amend the Abstract by rewriting same to read as follows.

~~The present invention is directed to a~~ A reproducing apparatus for an audio signal, ~~which comprises~~ includes a number of digital filters ~~DF0 to DF_n, DF0s to DF_{ns}~~, each supplied with an audio signal, and a speaker array ~~101 caused to be of the~~ in a configuration in which speakers ~~SP0 to SP_n~~ are specially arranged. Outputs of the digital filters ~~DF0 to DF_n~~ are delivered to the speakers ~~SP0 to SP_n~~. Predetermined delay times are respectively set at the digital filters ~~DF0 to DF_n~~, so that sound waves radiated from the speakers ~~SP0 to SP_n~~ are reflected on wall ~~surface~~ surfaces, and then arrive at a sound field to form a place having sound pressure larger than that therearound within the sound field. Outputs of ~~the~~ a second set of digital filters ~~DF0s to DF_{ns}~~ are delivered to the speakers ~~SP0 to SP_n~~. Predetermined delay times are respectively set at the second set of digital filters ~~DF0s to DF_{ns}~~ so as to suppress leakage sound which directly arrives at a place having large sound pressure from the speakers ~~SP0 to SP_n~~ among sounds formed from outputs of the digital filters ~~DF0 to DF_n~~.